

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	HEAT INTEGRATED DISTILLATION COLUMN	)	using the U.S. Patent and Trademark
Art Unit:	1797	)	Office's EFS-WEB.
Examiner:	Manoharan, Virginia	)	
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Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time in the above-identified application, up to and including September 26, 2009, to make this reply timely.

This Amendment is being filed in response to a first Office Action mailed on May 26, 2009 in the above-captioned application and is divided into the following sections:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.